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In re patent application of

Bojarczuk et al.

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For:

RARE EARTH METAL OXIDE MEMORY ELEMENT BASED ON CHARGE

STORAGE AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SAME (as amended)

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37. C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 15, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 15-23 without prejudice or disclaimer.

- 1. (Amended) A data storage element, comprising:
  - a substrate comprising a semiconductor material;
- a metal oxide layer comprising an electrically insulating rare earth metal oxide disposed upon a surface of said substrate;
  - a conductive material disposed upon said metal oxide layer;
  - a first electrode electrically connected to said conductive material; and